

Archie Doby

Candidate for Member-at-Large

Archie is presently the Fiscal Director of the Bledsoe County Correctional Complex, for the Department of Correction. He is a graduate of the TGMI Class of 2008-I.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: Archie currently belongs to the American Sight Hound Field Coursing Association (ASFA), the American Kennel Club (Coursing Judge) and Highpointers Club (Hiking and mountain climbing).

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Archie currently supports both Goodwill Industries and Saint Jude Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.

MOST MEMORABLE TGMI EXPERIENCE: “The Helicopter ride – what fun.”

REASON FOR WANTING TO BE VICE CHAIR:

“A nine year employee (almost – 8 years, 9 months, 2 week and 1 day as of 7/17/13 – but who’s counting) with the State of Tennessee for the Department of Correction at Bledsoe County Correctional Complex (BCCX) formerly know as Southeastern Tennessee State Regional Correctional Facility (STSR) in Pikeville, Tennessee. Recently the facility was expanded from a 981 bed facility to a 2,500 bed facility. The expansion has offered many logistical and budgetary challenges to BCCX’s Fiscal Department.

I have been an Accountant for 28 years, while the Controller at Lake Tansi Village, Inc. I served on the Hiawatha Manor Property Owners Association (POA) Board of Directors as the Treasurer (1992 – 1997). As a past member (1990 – 2008) of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks, I served in various officer positions and as the Treasurer.

I have served, while a member of Toastmasters International, as the President (2009 – 2010) and Sergeant-at-Arms (2010 – 2011). I believe

my background reveals that I have the experience necessary to serve as a TGMI Member-at-Large.

TGMI is a great institution. As an Alumnus I enjoy the events that are planned for us throughout the year. The sporting events, the brown lunches with a guest speaker, the spring and fall conferences are all splendid.

In the past I have mentioned that perhaps more local events for TGMI Alumni across the State would be a good idea. I believe in the format of a social gathering would be nice, such as a picnic, an alumni dinner and dance, a pool party, a hike (I really enjoy hiking), golf, or maybe even an Alumni baseball/softball game. Many of these activities can be held at most of the State Parks and at a local level giving those Alumni in all areas of Tennessee a chance to socialize and network with old friends and keep that TGMI spirit alive.

I feel if committees, formed from volunteers, could serve as event organizers in various regions of the State, such as, for an example, the west, middle and east regions, that these events would be possible.

If elected, I would pursue the possibility of having social events for TGMI all across the State. If the proper strategy is developed, and it can be, by being flexible, imaginative (is TGMI on Facebook?) and steadfast in the concept that TGMI is a life-long experience.”